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The Northern Michigan Catholic Foundation Awards More Than \$25,000 to Local Catholic Schools

Traverse City, Michigan – The Northern Michigan Catholic Foundation announced this week that they have awarded a total of \$25,500 to local Catholic Schools in northern Michigan, this includes a grant of \$1,500 to every Catholic school within the northern Michigan Catholic community. This grant award marks the first unrestricted grants from NMCF.

"Our board believes in the power of Catholic education in building our faith communities and supporting our church. We are honored to support the work of these schools, their students, and the families, many of whom are making a financial sacrifice to send their children to Catholic school," said Joel R. Myler, NMCF Chairman of the Board of Directors.

NMCF was first established in 1998 and for the last twenty years has served the Catholic organizations, schools, parishes, and missions serving within the northern Michigan Catholic community. "Our mission is simple," said NMCF President Christie Perdue, "to support the spiritual, educational and social needs of our Roman Catholic Community. We do this by working with donors and organizations to build endowments that support the future sustainability of these organizations and the faith communities they serve."

The Northern Michigan Catholic Foundation has more than 60 funds and \$20 million in assets. The funds at NMCF specifically support a variety of organizations, including parishes, schools, local Catholic organizations such as St. Vincent DePaul, Catholic cemeteries, Catholic missions such as Hispanic Ministry and youth programs, along with scholarship funds. The NMCF Board of Directors also oversees unrestricted funds which work to support areas of need within the Catholic communities of northern Michigan.

For more information about the Northern Michigan Catholic Foundation please contact Christie Perdue, President at 231-922-9070 or visit them online at <u>www.nmcatholicfoundation.org</u>.

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The Northern Michigan Catholic Foundation serves the donors, parishes, schools, Catholic organizations and missions that exist to build and sustain Catholic communities of faith throughout northern Michigan. NMCF works with organizations and donors to build endowment funds, which annually produce income for the Catholic missions they are dedicated to support. Currently, NMCF has more than 60 funds and a total of \$20 million in assets.